

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice or disclaimer, and please amend claims 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A golf club head comprising an outer shell member and a hollow portion surrounded by the outer shell member, wherein:~~

~~an inner surface of the hollow portion includes either or both of a concave surface and a flat surface and a projecting portion is formed on the inner surface; and the projecting portion is so formed that it has a convex surface with a radius of curvature equal to or greater than 3 mm, or chamfered by chipping off a corner edge of an angular portion, where two surfaces of the projecting portion intersect at an angle, by 3 mm or more along the two surfaces.~~ A method for manufacturing a golf club head which comprises outer shell members and a hollow portion surrounded by the outer shell members, comprising the steps of:

integrating first outer shell members to form a face portion, a side portion and a sole portion, in which a projecting portion is provided on an inner surface of the hollow portion; and

setting a second outer shell member on the integrated first outer shell members to form the hollow portion and bonding the second outer shell member to the integrated first outer shell members by applying pressure from inside to outside of the the hollow portion on inner surfaces of the first integrated outer shell members and the second outer shell member, thereby forming a crown portion of the golf club head,

wherein the projecting portion is formed so as to have a convex surface with a radius of curvature equal to or greater than 3 mm, or the projecting portion is chamfered by chipping off a corner edge of an angular portion, where two surfaces of the projecting portion intersect at an angle, by 3 mm or more along the two surfaces, before the second outer shell member is bonded to the first integrated outer shell members.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~golf club head~~ method according to claim 1, wherein said the convex surface is provided formed by using a sheet member comprising a resin on a surface of said the projecting portion.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~golf club head~~ method according to claim 2, wherein said the sheet member comprises a fiber reinforced resin material.

4. (Cancelled)

5. The ~~golf club head~~ method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, further comprising wherein a columnar neck member having a shaft insertion hole into which a golf club shaft is inserted, is provided to the first outer shell members, the hole being closed at one end, wherein the neck member projects into said the hollow portion and its end on a projection side is so formed that the end has a convex surface with a radius of curvature equal to or greater than 3 mm, or chamfered by chipping off a corner edge of an angular portion, where two surfaces of the end on the projection side intersect at an angle, by 3 mm or more along the two surfaces.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~golf club head~~ method according to claim 5,
wherein a lateral surface of said the columnar neck member on a heel side is joined to
said the first outer shell member members and the lateral surface on the heel side is
covered with a joining surface of said the first outer shell member members so that a
concave space may not be formed between the lateral surface on the heel side and said
the first outer shell member members within said the hollow portion.

7. (Original) A golf club head comprising an outer shell member and a hollow
portion surrounded by the outer shell member, wherein:

an inner surface of the hollow portion includes either or both of a concave
surface and a flat surface and the inner surface has no projecting portion formed
thereon.

8. (Original) A golf club which has a grip, a golf club shaft, and a golf club head,
wherein:

the golf club head comprises an outer shell member and a hollow portion
surrounded by the outer shell member; an inner surface of the hollow portion includes
either or both of a concave surface and a flat surface and a projecting portion is formed
on the inner surface; and the projecting portion is so formed that it has a convex surface
with a radius of curvature equal to or greater than 3 mm, or chamfered by chipping off a
corner edge of an angular portion, where two surfaces of the projecting portion intersect
at an angle, by 3 mm or more along the two surfaces.

9. (Original) A golf club which has a grip, a golf club shaft, and a golf club head,
wherein:

the golf club head comprises an outer shell member and a hollow portion
surrounded by the outer shell member; and an inner surface of the hollow portion
includes either or both of a concave surface and a flat surface and the inner surface has
no projecting portion formed thereon.